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proceeding, the composite weighted average cost of debt and cost of preferred stock is the composite weight computed in accordance with §65.304 multiplied by the composite cost of the component computed in accordance with §65.301 or §65.302, as applicable. The composite weighted average cost of equity will be determined in each prescription proceeding.

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§65.306 Calculation accuracy.

In a prescription proceeding, the final determinations of the cost of equity, cost of debt, cost of preferred stock and their capital structure weights shall be accurate to two decimal places.

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§65.450 Net income.

(a) Net income shall consist of all revenues derived from the provision of interstate telecommunications services regulated by this Commission less expenses recognized by the Commission as necessary to the provision of these services. The calculation of expenses entering into the determination of net income shall include the interstate portion of plant specific operations (Accounts 6110 through 6441), plant nonspecific operations (Accounts 6510 through 6560), customer operations (Accounts 6610 through 6620), corporate operations (Accounts 6720 through 6790), other operating income and expense (Account 7100), and operating taxes (Accounts 7200 through 7250), except to the extent this Commission specifically provides to the contrary.

(b) Gains and losses related to the disposition of plant in service items, shall be handled as follows:

(1) Gains related to property sold to others and leased back under capital leases for use in telecommunications services shall be recorded in Account 4300 (Other long-term liabilities and deferred credits) and credited to Account 6560 (Depreciation and Amortization Expense) over the amortization period established for the capital lease;

(2) Gains or losses related to the disposition of land and other nondepreciable items recorded in Account 7100 (Other operating income and expense)

shall be included in net income for ratemaking purposes, but adjusted to reflect the relative amount of time such property was used in regulated operations and included in the rate base; and

(3) Proceeds related to the disposition of property depreciated on a group basis and used jointly in regulated and nonregulated activities, including saleleaseback arrangements for property depreciated on a group basis, shall be credited to the related reserves and attributed to regulated and nonregulated in proportion to the accumulated regulated and nonregulated depreciation for that group.

(c) Gains or losses related to the disposition of property that was never included in the rate base shall not be considered for ratemaking purposes.

(d) Except for the allowance for funds used during construction, reasonable charitable deductions and interest related to customer deposits, the amounts recorded as nonoperating income and expenses and taxes (Accounts 7300 and 7400) and interest and related items (Account 7500) and extraordinary items (Account 7600) shall not be included unless this Commission specifically determines that particular items recorded in those accounts shall be included.

[53 FR 1029, Jan. 15, 1988, as amended at 60 FR 12139, Mar. 6, 1995; 67 FR 5702, Feb. 6, 2002]

Subpart D—Interexchange Carriers

§ 65.500 Net income.

The net income methodology specified in §65.450 shall be utilized by all interexchange carriers that are so designated by Commission order.

[60 FR 28546, June 1, 1995]

Subpart E—Rate of Return Reports

§65.600 Rate of return reports.

(a) Subpart E shall apply to those interstate communications common carriers and exchange carriers that are so designated by Commission order.

(b) Each local exchange carrier or group of affiliated carriers which is not subject to §§61.41 through 61.49 of this chapter and which has filed individual

access tariffs during the preceding enforcement period shall file with the Commission within three (3) months after the end of each calendar year, an annual rate of return monitoring report which shall be the enforcement period report. Reports shall be filed on the appropriate report form prescribed by the Commission (see §1.795 of this chapter) and shall provide full and specific answers to all questions propounded and information requested in the currently effective report form. The number of copies to be filed shall be specified in the applicable report form. At least one copy of the report shall be signed on the signature page by the responsible officer. A copy of each report shall be retained in the principal office of the respondent and shall be filed in such a manner as to be readily available for reference and inspection. Final adjustments to the enforcement period report shall be made by September 30 of the year following the enforcement period to ensure that any refunds can be properly reflected in an annual access filing.

(c) Each interexchange carrier subject to §§61.41 through 61.49 shall file with the Commission, within three (3) months after the end of each calendar year, the total interstate rate of return for that year for all interstate services subject to regulation by the Commission. Each such filing shall include a report of the total revenues, total expenses and taxes, operating income, and the rate base. A copy of the filing shall be retained in the principal office of the respondent and shall be filed in such manner as to be readily available for reference and inspection.

(d)(1) Each local exchange carrier or group of affiliated carriers subject to §§ 61.41 through 61.49 of this chapter shall file with the Commission within three (3) months after the end of each calendar year a report of its total interstate rate of return for that year. Such filings shall include a report of the total revenues, total expenses and taxes, operating income, and the rate base. Reports shall be filed on the appropriate form prescribed by the Commission (see §1.795 of this chapter) and shall provide full and specific answers to all questions propounded and information requested in the currently effective form. The number of copies to be filed shall be specified in the applicable report form. At least one copy of the report shall be retained in the principal office of the respondent and shall be filed in such manner as to be readily available for reference and inspection.

(2) Each local exchange carrier or group of affiliated carriers subject to §§ 61.41 through 61.49 of this chapter shall file with the Commission within fifteen (15) months after the end of each calendar year a report reflecting any corrections or modifications to the report filed pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this section. Reports shall be filed on the appropriate form prescribed by the Commission (see §1.795 of this chapter) and shall provide full and specific answers to all questions propounded and information requested in the currently effective form. The number of copies to be filed shall be specified in the applicable report form. At least one copy of the report shall be retained in the principal office of the respondent and shall be filed in such manner as to be readily available for reference and inspection.

[52 FR 274, Jan. 5, 1987, as amended at 54 FR 19844, May 8, 1989; 55 FR 42385, Oct. 19, 1990; 56 FR 21617, May 10, 1991; 62 FR 5166, Feb. 4, 1997]

Subpart F—Maximum Allowable Rates of Return

§65.700 Determining the maximum allowable rate of return.

- (a) The maximum allowable rate of return for any exchange carrier's earnings on any access service category shall be determined by adding a fixed increment of four-tenths of one percent of the exchange carrier prescribed rate of return.
- (b) The maximum allowable rate of return for any exchange carrier's overall interstate earnings for all access service categories shall be determined by adding a fixed increment of one-quarter of one percent to the exchange carrier prescribed rate of return.
- (c) The maximum allowable rate of return for rates filed by local exchange carrier subject to §61.50 of this chapter, shall be determined by adding a fixed increment of one and one-half percent